

## House Resolution 104 - Introduced

### HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 104

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1 A Resolution honoring the over 200 years of peace,  
2 prosperity, and kinship between the peoples of  
3 Canada and the United States, and recognizing  
4 February 4, 2014, as Canada Day at the Iowa Capitol.

5 WHEREAS, Canada and the United States share a  
6 5,500-mile border, the world's longest unmilitarized  
7 border, over which 300,000 people cross between the  
8 countries every day; and

9 WHEREAS, our two nations share a peaceful and  
10 democratic heritage which spans centuries; and

11 WHEREAS, with these shared traditions, values, and  
12 heritage our two nations have fostered one of the most  
13 successful international relationships in the modern  
14 world; and

15 WHEREAS, acting as partners in peace and allies in  
16 war, for over 100 years Canada and the United States  
17 have stood together, promoting mutual prosperity and  
18 fighting tyranny and terrorism in a partnership that  
19 remains resolute today; and

20 WHEREAS, the United States is Canada's largest  
21 export market, with two-way trade in goods and  
22 services between the nations totaling \$710 billion, or  
23 approximately \$1.4 million every minute, reflecting the  
24 deep integration of our nations' economies; and

1 WHEREAS, the relationship between Canada and  
2 Iowa is equally strong, consisting of a complex and  
3 growing network of social, economic, and even familial  
4 ties; and

5 WHEREAS, it is estimated that over 100,000 jobs  
6 in Iowa are supported by Canada-United States trade  
7 and 3,700 Iowans are employed by Canadian-owned  
8 businesses; and

9 WHEREAS, Canada is Iowa's top export market,  
10 with Iowa exports to Canada valued annually at \$4.3  
11 billion and Iowa imports from Canada valued at \$3.1  
12 billion; and

13 WHEREAS, Iowa exports to Canada include steel  
14 products, oilseed cake and meal, organic chemicals,  
15 air conditioning and refrigeration units, and  
16 tractors, while Iowa imports include natural gas, oils,  
17 fertilizers, live animals, and steel products; NOW  
18 THEREFORE,

19 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, That  
20 the House of Representatives honors the relationships  
21 between the peoples and the governments of Canada,  
22 the United States, and Iowa, friends and neighbors  
23 in peace, allies in war, and partners in economic  
24 prosperity; and

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That in honor of our strong  
26 and growing relationship, the House of Representatives  
27 recognizes Tuesday, February 4, 2014, as Canada Day at  
28 the Iowa Capitol.